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In re Patent Application of

Y. AOYAMA et al

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RECORDED THEREIN

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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November 24, 2003

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above application
as follows.



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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.

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